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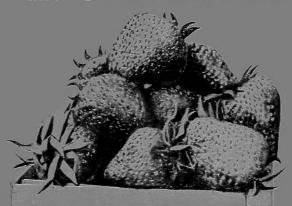
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# Flansburgh & Potter Co.

Catalog and Price List

# Strawberry Hlants and Other Small Fruits



UNCLE - JIM

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Grown and for sale by

The FLANSBURGH & POTTER Co.

## INTRODUCTORY.

Friends:-The best thing in our catalogue is the new Eaton Red Raspberry. It takes first place. Not that our interest in strawberries is less, but because it is the best red raspberry, and as such, of great importance to our customers. It is as far superior to other red raspberries as are the best strawberries of to-day superior to those of twenty years ago. It is the most productive, outvielding London two to one, or any other sort we ing season, and is clean and healthy in both root and foliage. Stop and think what all this means for the family garden or for commercial growing.

#### THE FINEST ON THE MARKET.

We have given the Eaton the most thorough trial in exposed situations and on very ordinary soil. It has stood the first of our most severe winters unprotected, Fruiting to the tips from the close of strawberries until after all other raspberries are done. The plans bent low with the largest and finest fruit we have ever seen.

We shall plant the Eaton extensively for fruit as soon as we can spare the plants. We know what it is and want you to know it too. Try it; if only a few plants in your girden, and be convinced. It is up to us to let the people know about the Eaton through our customers in every section. It is up to you to get a start with this grand new berry now.

THE FLANSELEGH & POTTER CO. Introducers.

#### NUMBER OF PLANTS REQUIRED TO SET ONE ACRE.

Distance.	Plants.	Distance. Plants.	Distance. Plants.	Distance. Plants.
1 by 1 foot,	43,560	4 by 3 feet, 8.630	6 by 3 feet, 2,420	7 by 5 feet, 1,244
2 by 1 foot.	21.780	4 by 4 feet, 2.722	6 by 4 feet, 1.815	7 by 6 feet, 1,037
2 by 2 feet.	10.890	5 by 1 foot, \$.712	6 by 5 feet, 1,452	7 by 7 feet, 888
3 by 1 foot.	14.520	5 by 2 feet, 4,356	6 by 6 feet, 1.210	8 by 3 feet, 1,815
3 by 2 feet.	7,260	5 by 3 feet, 2,904	7 by 1 foot, 6,222	8 by 4 feet, 1,361
3 by 3 feet.	4,840	5 by 4 feet, 2.178	7 by 2 feet, 3.111	8 by 5 feet, 1.089
4 by 1 foot.	10.890	5 by 5 feet, 1.742	7 by 3 feet, 2,074	8 by 6 feet, 905
4 by 2 feet.	5.445	6 by 1 foot, 7.260	7 by 4 feet, 1,555	8 by 7 feet, 680
		6 by 2 feet, 3,630		8 by 8 feet, 680

No. 606

#### CERTIFICATE OF NURSERY INSPECTION

This is to Certify that I have examined the nursery stock and premises of The Flansburgh & Potter Co., Leslie, Mich., and find them apparently free from dangerous contagious tree and plant diseases.

This certificate to be void after July 31, 1906.

L. R. TAFT.

Agricultural College, Mich., Oct. 6, 1905

State Inspector of Nurseries and Orchards

Copy of the above Certificate with each shipment.

## A Few Words About Strawberries.

TRAWBERRIES were at their best last season, so far as yield of berries was concerned. There had been abundant bloom, with dry weather to aid the pollenizing and the plants set heavily to fruit, but at the ripening there was too much rain and het muggy weather, bringing the berries rapidly to maturity and spoiling not a few on the vines before fit to pick. In such a season there is more or less waste with many sorts and the quality is not so high as in normal seasons.

The writer spent the time almost entirely in the plat, picking berries. This plat is where we grow a few plants of all the varieties we list, and others. It is always regularly reset each spring and always near the packing house, where we can run out at any time to dig a few plants to finish out an order, or make up collections of the different sorts. Here we have opportunity to compare varieties growing side by side on the same soil and under like conditions, and it is from daily observations here, throughout the growing and the fruiting season on which we most depend, for we always get sold out of some sorts, often early in the season except a few plants here reserved for fruit: and last year with its large increase of trade was no exception.

It is our business to secure for trial and for sale the most promising of the new varieties. This to many of our customers is the most important feature of our catalogue, of greatest interest to them each year. Varieties that were best once are far outclassed to-day, and so it goes. The best we have today may be outclassed in the future. We want the best, and having satisfied ourselves by thorough trial, we grow the best in largest quantity. We want to speak about this in particular. Orders for varieties that get sold out must be returned or substituted for. Some sorts are grown in less amount for a more limited demand, but we nearly always have a surplus of a few best sorts, grown especially for fruit which, if sold out of others, we can often substitute to our customers' advantage, when orders carry or imply such permission. Again, new beginners often are in doubt what to order, aside from new varieties for trial, there are so many others. If in doubt about the main planting, or if ordered late, give us a good idea of what is wanted, if for shipping or for home use, the soil, etc., and we will make selection for you if desired. Many order in this way and are often pleased to find something new and valuable for trial included free. We want to please, and do not want to disappoint a customer by return of order when too late to order elsewhere. If brief in our replies, when substitution is not desired, and money is returned, remember that we are not indifferent, but lack the time to write long letters. Please read our catalogue all through. It is written for your information. Write us fully early in the season, but if late, be brief as possible. If but few plants are wanted, it is all the same. The little orders bring the big ones by and by, but order early, and have your plants come early if you can. If sold out of anything, or in any case that our selection is desired, be assured that we will do our best to get you started right and please you.

Perhaps the most successful variety to-day the country over is the Senator Dunlap. But a short time since this was a new variety. We recognized its merits from the first, and we plant it in larger quantity each year. And there are old time favorites hard to beat. The good old Gandy grows in favor every year. The tendency of most varieties is to set too many berries, but not so with Gandy. For the broad matted row system, which is best for this variety, a half dozen berries to the plant means a good crop, if the berries are as large as Gandy. Its single fruit stem is stout enough to hold the berries well up from the ground where the air can circulate and no matter how wet or hot the fruiting season, like the last, the Gandy is always firm and bright. Seven hundred dollars is our record of Gandy berries sold from one acre, grown especially for fruit. Two hundred dollars for one day's picking, hauled 17 miles to market in spring wagons. This was several years ago when the variety was new and nothing then upon the market half so fine. It is as fine to-day, but there are other good late berries now. The Aroma is quite similar in size, shape and color, but is of a different type and of a still different type is our Uncle Jim. Some claim this is the best late berry. We say the best big berry of its type, such as the New York, Maximus, Morgan and others that preceded it. It was

The finest, most productive and the the largest on our grounds last year. firmest of its class, but the season was too wet for all varieties, except a few like Gandy which hold their berries high and dry. The best shippers and the best keepers, as a rule are the light weight berries—the Uncle Jim is not a heavy berry for its size. The Gandy is a light weight berry and largest specimens are often hollow. The Warfield is a solid berry and held in high regard for shipping, but it will not hold up equal to its seedling, the Senator Dunlap, which the the largest, but a light weight berry. For the same reason the Beder Wood is a good shipping berry, though on the vines it appears but moderately firm.

The New Home and Stevens Late Champion are two new late varieties that are highly praised, but we have not fruited them as yet, and there are others not yet fruited, in which we are much interested. We note what great advancement has been made, but there is nothing excellent that may not be excelled.

And now, just a word about our Eaton raspberry. This is a good thing. Try it. If only a few plants in your garden. We think it will surprise you and your friends. Read about it in this catalogue and include it in your order. We do not know of anything that could please you more.

A Long Ride, but an Early Shipment and Good Care on Arrival.

Dear Sirs:—The 1,100 strawberry plants got here March 31 and laid two days in the post office, but they were packed in splendid shape. I opened every bunch, dipped the roots in water and packed them in fine moist earth, so that each plant would have dirt against it and the next morning the leaves had straightened out, showing strong vitality. They have been planted in the field about two weeks and I surely think I have 1,100 live, growing plants, notwithstanding their 2,000 mile ride. The Eaton raspberry arrived about the same time and is also growing fine. I feel much obliged to you for your good packing and good long rooted plants.

G. H. HARVEY. Our Selection, Well Pleased.

Dear Sirs:—Enclosed find order for plants, two sorts—early and late—for a family den. We have asked you to select for us several times and have been perfectly field each time. satisfied each time.

Huron Co., Ohio, April 7, 1905. Dear Sirs:—The plants arrived on time and are Co. K., extra fine. I showed them to several of the neighbors, who said they could not be better. You have done exactly as you agreed, and I am glad I left it all with you. I have them all set, but about 3,000. I shall want some raspberries later, and I am sure you will advise me what is best. Thanking you for the good count and for the extras, I remain.

Yours truly, CHARLIE D. NORRIS.

Thanking you for the good count and for the extras, I construe the Norris Norris ordered plants to be sent C. O. D., enclosing a remittance for the greater part, and instructed us to select the varieties for him and the right quantity for a certain piece of ground. We trust that he will do his part for best results, and at the fruiting will be equally as satisfied that we have done our best to please and profit him throughout.

#### What I Ordered.

Warren Co., New York, May 1, 1905. Yours truly, W. J. POTTER.

## Terms, Advice, Etc.

Our Shipping Season begins with Southern orders as soon as frost is out of the ground in spring, often in March. The sooner plants are set, before they get too large a growth, the better. We aim to set our plants in early April. If ordered late in the season, it is always best to name a second or third choice in case a variety is sold out, or leave it with us, stating soil conditions and other particulars. We will do our best to please you, but order early and have your plants come early if you can.

Terms, Cash with Order; but orders will be booked if one-fourth value is inclosed, the remainder to be sent before shipment. C. O. D. orders require one-fourth value with the order. Send remittances at our risk by post office order, express money order, bank draft or registered letter. Stamps taken for parts of a dollar.

Claims, if any, must be made upon receipt of goods, so that mistakes, should any have been made may be promptly corrected. We take great pains to avoid mistakes, but should an error have been made, please notify us of the fact at once.

Estimates on Large Lots promptly furnished, prices quoted prepaid whenever possible. Our plants average to weight crated 15 to 20 lbs. per 1,000 early in the season and when packed in this manner the express companies guarantee to carry at 20 per cent. below merchandise rate. Later in the season, when there is more growth of foliage they weigh much more and require more moss and more space in packing often costing double for the express, which must be taken into account.

Canadian Shipments accompanied with invoice, owing to the duty, with charges guaranteed to avoid delay. Please do not send Canadian currency or stamps.

For Our Responsibility address with a stamp the People's Bank, Leslie, Mich., postmaster, express agent, or any official, professional or business man of the same place.

## Some Reasons. Important.

We grow our plants in a new place each season rotating with clover and other crops, on good soil that is still new and capable of producing well balanced, best grade plants. The kind we advertise.

We Maintain Our Grade by a careful selection of stock plants, and right methods of propagation from year to year, that tend with such a soil, to produce stock of the greatest health and vigor, striving for the ideal fruiting row and perfect fruit from any plants that may be left unsold.

Our Plants are Presh Dug as wanted, nicely trimmed ready for planting, carefully resorted and tied in bunches of 25; roots washed in cold water if necessary to make them clean and packed with live moss in new handle baskets lined with oil paper, or in light ventilated crates, in such a manner that we guarantee safe arrival in good condition by express or mail, to all parts of U. S. and Canada. Plants by freight at buyer's risk.

**True to Name.** We take great pains to have stock true to name and hold ourselves ready upon proper proof to refund money or replace any that prove untrue; but it is mutually agreed that we shall not be liable for a greater sum than the amount paid for such stock.

Our Prices average lower than can be found elsewhere, when quality of stock and guaranteed conditions are considered. Our references for responsibility are ample. You take no risk whatever. See elsewhere a certificate of health from State Inspector of Nurseries, L. R. Taft. Read our unsolicited testimonials. We invite investigation at all times.

Leslie is in Ingham County 22 miles south of Lansing, the state capital, and 18 miles north of Jackson. It is on the J., L. and S. division of the M. C. R. R., with an electric line being built in addition, connecting the two cities, and has a population of about 1,200. Our plant beds are all within a half mile of the depot, telegraph and express office. We take pleasure in looking after the interests of our customers in person, serving them promptly and on demand, acknowledging all orders and sending notice when plants are shipped. If we know we are sold out of a variety we will tell you so at once. In short, we aim to satisfy by honorable dealing both our customers and ourselves. Try us. We will do our best to please you.

Jay, Essex County, New York, May 9, 1905.
Thank you for the **fine plants, liberal count** and **promptness** in filling my order.
The plants are in marked contrast to some I have received from your state recently, which were not even trimmed. Express comes high on plants loaded with dirt as they were. Please mail me 100 Uncle Jim. If out send Parsons Beauty.

H. D. STICKNEY.

## Northern Grown Plants.

A strawberry plant is never in so prime a condition as when fully grown, matured and dormant. Our friends in the South have recognized that our northern-grown plants are safer to set, because of their more dormant condition on arrival, while commercial growers in the North and West would not think of setting Southern stock of a more advanced growth. We also hold that, while the strawberry will grow and thrive nearly everywhere, the North is its natural home, where it fits the conditions more naturally for a higher development.

## Summer and Fall Plants.

The best time to set strawberry plants is in the spring and the earlier the better, but they may be set successfully at any time that the young plants are big enough, if there is plenty of rain, or proper care is given.

We are always anxious to accommodate those who wish to test new varieties a year sooner, or who neglected to order for the home garden at the proper season, or in the case of market gardeners, who have crops coming off their ground which they wish to set to strawberries as a matter of economy and rotation. To such our printed rate per dozen will apply as soon as any plants are large enough. Before September 15 the rate per 100 will be one-half more; after September 15 our printed rate per 100 will apply for as many as desired. Later in the season, the loss of plants not well rooted, which must be thrown away, is not so great and if several thousand are wanted, write for prices on the list desired.

## For the Beginner.

The nature of the soil, to grow this fruit, is not so urgently important as many supposed. A good sandy or clay loam that has been worked with applications of manure in cultivated crops, or a loose clover sod, if in good heart and free from grubs is reckoned best. But strawberries are grown with profit on all kinds of soil, including muck. There is nothing that responds more quickly to every advantage given, or that will go so far beyond the ordinary with extraordinary culture. But special soils require special treatment. If your soil is thin or leachy, the more manure it will require to build it up. Ashes and commercial fertilizer may also be applied as a top dressing, and harrowed in; and there is greater need of extra-shallow cultivation in the growing season; with a thorough fining of the surface soil among the plants, forming a dust or dirt mulch to prevent the escape of moisture, and a further mulch of straw, marsh hay, leaves, straw manure or shredded corn stalks in winter and the fruiting season. Muck soil requires heavy mulching in the winter to prevent heaving, and also to retard the blossoming beyond the greatest danger from late frosts as well as to retain the moisture and keep the berries clean.

These are about two extremes of soil, and both are often used by commercial growers. For instance, if it is desired to lengthen the fruiting season to the utmost limit we would grow our earliest varieties on sunny exposure, sloping to the east and south, on quick, warm soil, removing the mulch early in the spring to let them get a start, and replacing it only just before fruiting; while we would set our latest sorts on level ground, or sloping to the west and north, mulching heavily in winter, letting it remain directly on the plants in spring as long as possible with safety, then raking off and tramping down between the rows only just enough to allow the plants to grow up through that which remained, thus retarding the first natural growth of vine, and blossoming and fruiting season. It is risky to attempt to force the season backward beyond a certain limit, for there is always some growth underneath the mulch as soon as the frost is out of the ground in the spring; and if the mulch remains too long this growth will have become bleached and tender, and liable to be injured by the hot sun or a sudden freeze before it can get green and tough again. But with watchfulness and care they may be induced to ripen a week or ten days later, without the slightest injury; and this means profit for the grower as surely as the extra early berries that commence the season. The same variety will ripen earlier on a sunny exposure, and later on a level or northern slope, as the case may be, and there is still a great difference with early and late sorts. The object is to keep the late sorts dormant by heavy mulching as late in spring as possible; and for this reason it should not be applied until the ground is frozen hard and deep; while, on the other hand, the sooner the mulch is on the early sorts before the ground freezes hard the quicker it will thaw out when it is removed, and the plants start to grow.

A plant that has borne fruit is more or less exhausted with the effort, and can survive only by growing a new set of roots nearer the surface of the soil, and above the old roots, which become woody, and die. They ripen the second crop of berries a little earlier than the first but it is not expected that they will

do as well as with their first great effort, even with the best after-treatment, which consists in mowing down the foliage immediately after fruiting, forking and shaking up the mulch as evenly as possible, and burning the whole patch over as soon as dry enough to burn rapidly, thus destroying weed seeds or any insect pests or disease that may have got among them; afterward cultivating between the rows, and cross-harrowing. A drag with teeth slanting backward is best. A dressing of ashes, commercial fertilizer, or fine manure, may be applied and cultivated in, and in three or four weeks after fruiting, or sooner if it rains, if the job has been well done, the plants will be showing up green, and growing once again.

Many of our customers who take much pride in growing the finest berries and biggest crops would rather buy their plants of us each season than disturb their fine new bearing beds, even for their own resetting; and such a one, in referring you to us, is more your friend than he who gives permission to dig the little runout plants of an old fruiting patch. These plants are but the effort of the parent plant to reproduce itself before it dies. They are small and weak and lack in fruiting vigor, if not diseased. They are degenerate, and should be destroyed as weeds that sap the parent plant.

Pistillate varieties have imperfect blossoms, and will not fruit unless these blossoms are fertilized by the pollen that is carried by insects or the wind from staminate varieties, which have perfect bloom, and are self-fertilizing. A good way is to set two rows of staminates and two of pistillates, alternate, or one of staminate and two or three of pistillates; but a greater proportion than this with imperfect bloom is hardly safe, especially if the blossoming season should prove cold and wet.

The only **best** time to set strawberries is in the spring, when the plants are fully grown, matured, and dormant; when the soil is moist and cool and there is more favorable weather generally.

Don't order strawberry plants by freight. We would rather give extra plants for prompt delivery by express, for any difference in rate, than that our customers should receive them in any but the freshest possible condition. There is always danger of a possible hold over or delay en route.

When the plants arrive, if your ground is not ready, untie the bunches and heel them in, the plants just far enough apart for the soil to press about the roots of each. Water and shade them if necessary. As soon as the soil will crumble in the hand, fit the ground deep and fine and firm. A little extra work right here will pay you double later on. Mark out in rows three to four feet apart for the narrow or broad matted row system, or 24 to 30 inches check rows for hill culture, so as to cultivate both ways.

We set our plants with spades and follow quickly with the horse and cultivator, repeating the operation as many times throughout the season as is necessary to keep and hold the soil at all times loose and lively, hoeing among the plants nearly as often for the same purpose. Some growers advise setting the plants 15 inches apart for matted rows; but if the soil is in good heart, and it has been well fitted, and only No. 1 plants are used, this is pretty close for most varieties. We set 18 inches or more apart, according to the vigor of the variety, and seldom have a break in our rows in the fall. Sometimes a small spot will be drowned out ina wet season, or a white grub will eat the roots off from a few plants before we find him; but he seldom gets very far with us, for they are not long set before they begin to blossom, and these blossoms must be kept off or the plants will bear and exhaust themselves, and the young plants will suffer for it. When the fruiting stems have been pinched off, others that reappear throughout the blossoming season must also be removed making it necessary to go over some varieties several times.

We do not clip the runners from our matted rows, but allow them to run and root freely as soon as they will; but it may be done until about the first of August, when they should still be able to make a good narrow matted row. In hill culture the runners are kept off the entire season, clipping them off with a sharp hoe when hoeing. With every runner removed a new crown is added to the plant until it attains a large size, when, to cover completely, would often require a bushel basket. The more vigorous the variety, the larger the plants may be made to grow.

Intensive culture consists mainly in spacing the young plants about the parent plant in such a way that each plant will stand an equal distance (about eight inches) from its neighbor, until the row is wide enough to suit, all other runners being removed as soon as they appear. This is the ideal way to grow strawberries. It's lots of work; but larger crops and finer fruit will pay the grower who can follow up this system. We recommend this plan to those whose grounds are limited, and to all others who can give it the required attention.

Mulch the vines in winter, whether the ground will heave in spring or not. Do not disturb them in the spring more than to uncover them. At fruiting time be prepared with new clean packages. Old, weather stained and moldy boxes are expensive. Instruct the pickers to pick each berry by the stem and handle them with great care. Assort and grade them as they bring them in, if needful, and arrange the berries to attract the eye, but have each crate throughout as represented. Sell second grade and ordinary berries where you can, but put your stamp on every crate of first grade stock. If you have something new and extra fine, go right up town; show them and name the price. The moral of all this is plain-excellence will win.

The A B C of Strawberry Culture, published by the A. I. Root Company, of Medina, Ohio, is a book of useful information to every berry grower of intense interest from start to finish, and an inspiration for the new beginner. Read carefully their full page advertisement elsewhere in this catalogue.

## Varieties.

(Imperfect.) This new berry is a chance seedling, probably of Bu-Velvet (Imperiect.) This new perty is a change near these varieties by Mr. R. C. Cronk, of Wisconsin, who has grown it several years with all the prominent varieties, including New York, Sample, Nick Ohmer, Glen Mary, and, as he states, a host of others and is far superior to them all. That he had sold some plants to neighbors at a dollar each. The best berry on earth, etc. We finally secured a few plants from one of his neighbors who was introducing it with a colored plate. We have fruited it now three years in a small way, the last year with more plants for a good fair showing. The variety is wonderfully productive and the fruit is large, bright red, firm and of good quality. The plants are large with bright green foliage, clean and healthy, making good rows for fruiting. We regard the Velvet as a very promising variety. It surely is one of the most productive we have ever grown. Season medium to late.

## New Home

(Perfect.) Introduced last spring by W. F. Allen, of Maryland, from whose catalogue we quote, in part, as

As late and large as Gandy. Fruit a bright red color that does not lose its luster. Uniformly large size and the Best Keeping and Shipping Berry Grown. It is so good a keeper that it does not need to be picked oftener than three times a week and will usually make 1,000 quarts or more per acre at each picking during the height of the season. Pickers delight to pick these berries. Several told me they could pick 40 quarts or more per hour. One declared he picked 20 quarts in 20 minutes. I believe it will supercede the Gandy (which is to-day more largely grown than any other variety in America) as soon as its great productiveness, uniform large size and unsurpassed keeping ouglities are known. keeping qualities are known.

From among testimonials printed we note that New Home berries were shipped 500 miles by freight to Conant & Bean, a Boston firm, being two nights and one day on the road, after which they were reshipped to L. B. Griffin Fruit Co., Portland, Maine, who wrote the Boston firm as follows:

Replying to your enquiry as to our opinion of the "New Home" berry shipped you by Mr. Allen, and which we purchased of you, would say that this berry is in our judgment a first class one for carrying long distances and for reshipping. It has arrived in Portland after a trip of four hours by express in good condition and has stood up well afterwards. Another good point is the holding of the color as we have found to be the case with this berry. We think well of it.

Conant & Bean in writing to Mr. Allen stated, in part, as follows:

The first consignment we received were thought to be Gandy's only it was remarked The first consignment we received were thought to be Gandy's only it was remarked by all that they were much brighter and firmer than they had ever seen before, even for that variety. These were sold mostly to retailers and without exception they pronounced it the best and most satisfactory berry they had ever handled.

Since then we have sold to wholesale buyers from outside cities and towns as far as Portland, Me., and have heard nothing but good reports concerning it. Many retail dealers have told us that after keeping them in their stores two and three days they

were just as bright and firm as when received.

Later, September 18, 1905, Mr. Allen says: New Home has again proven to be the greatest money maker on my farm. I shipped it the past season by the car load, and it always sold for more money than any other variety on the market. It produces big crops. It is easy to pick. Its color is brilliant scarlet and does not fade or turn dark after picking. It keeps longer than any other variety. It sells for more money because it will keep and hold its color longer than any other variety on the market.

Pan American (Perfect.) This is simply a sport from the Bismarck strawberry by bud variation that originated in New York while no doubt it is entirely distinct it resembles that variety in berry very closely, but it makes so few plants, "some plants not producing a single runner, and others very few," that we get sold out quickly even at the price and hardly save but few for each season to reset. But it is a sure enough everbearer, and the greatest novelty in strawberries ever introduced. For years we have been testing every so-called everbearer that we could hear of, but have never found one that could be depended upon to produce berries in the summer and fall in any quantity, unless the regular season had been cut short by frost or drouth, followed by extreme favorable conditions later in the season until the advent of the Pan American

We have now fruited Pan American three years, and each season we have been continually picking off blossoms and green and ripe berries throughout the summer and fall to induce them to make a few more plants if possible, but the fruiting habit is so strong that nothing short of the ground frozen hard will stop it. They keep on building up new crowns and throwing out fruit stems to the last, but very few new plants.

We do not want to drop this variety from our collection. Neither do we want to recommend it. It is a novelty, the only everbearing strawberry that we know. How much of value there may be in it under glass for berries in the winter, or for out door growing in the West and South Coast States we do not

Stevens Late Champion (Perfect.) Not yet fruited here, but we have berry and from its healthy vigorous plant growth we are inclined to think it will prove up what is claimed for it. It is a splendid grower with long runners and tall dark green foliage. The originator says:

Very large, fine flavored, bright color, good shipper, a fine bed maker, a heavy yielder, fine foliage ranging from twelve to fourteen inches high, with a good fruit stem. This berry averaged 7,556 quarts per acre in 1902, netting \$666.96 per acre; selling as high as 22 cents per quart in New York market last season. It has been tested on all kinds of soil, and will grow successfully where any strawberry will grow. It will stand a drouth better than any other berry in this section.

Its name, "Champion," was given it by a lot of berry growers, some saying it would challenge the world.

It ripens later than the Gandy, and lasts until the fourth of July any season. has never shown any sign of rust. until the last of the season. The cap, which is double, has always kept green

W. S. Todd, of Delaware, says: Stevens' Late Champion originated in New Jersey and is largely planted there, and a good many were planted in other sections last spring. I am sure it is a good variety. A friend of mine who grows 25 acres of Gandy every year went to New Jersey last season especially to see it in fruiting and says it is larger and more productive than Gandy, and that he will plant several acres of it in the spring.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the introducer, who says:

Commonwealth is the outcome of a desire to lengthen the strawberry season. This Commonwealth is the outcome of a desire to lengthen the strawberry season. This has been accomplished. In the Commonwealth we have a berry that is as large as the largest, as productive as any of the largest, as fine flavored, as solid and as dark colored as any. It is smooth (similar to Jucunda in shape) and very juicy. It has a strong staminate blossom. It is late. On the 18th of July, 1902, as good berries were picked as during its season, and in quality, Marshall, Glen Mary and McKinley side by side with it being gone. The last berries were picked July 22. The plant is a good strong grower, hardy, shows no sign of rust, a good plant maker. The Massachusetts Horticultural Society, always ready to recognize special merit, awarded Commonwealth first prize in competition July 5, 1902, and July 11, 1903.

J. J. H. Gregory, the well known seedsman, says:

I saw Commonwealth on the grounds of the originator, Mr. Wm. H. Monroe, and a grand sight it was. The berry is tremendously large, symmetrical in shape, with a rich, glossy, deep red color, nearly as dark as the Marshall. It is a great cropper, and appears hard fleshed and firm. One of its most valuable characteristic is its lateness in ripening, for when I was there, July 2d, the large bed which had bushels of growing fruit had to be searched quite carefully to find a quart of ripe berries.

Benjamin M. Smith, of Beverly, Massachusetts, says:

Of the new strawberry, Commonwealth, about to be introduced by Mr. Monroe, I will say I have watched it carefully growing on his grounds with all the leading varieties, and for vigor of plant, productiveness and quality of fruit it excels them all. It is a very late strawberry and one of the best I think I ever saw.

C. S. Pratt says: It is a week later than Sample and a better berry. It will be sold as the Marshall, and nine-tenths of the people will not know the difference.

This is one of the new sorts in great demand. In 1904 we had none left to fruit. Last season it did not begin to ripen until most sorts were nearly done. A very promising variety.

Buster hoeing among the plants late in summer we came across a few berries that were "Busters" in size, especially for spring set plants. We have heard much in praise of this new berry, which is said to be a cross between Bubach and Sharpless, medium late in season, of large size, bright red color, moderately firm and of good quality. The chief points making it superior for home use or near market being its long fruiting season, its good foliage and great productiveness, and holding its large size well to the last. It is a good healthy grower with tall dark green foliage.

Ryckman. (Perfect.) This variety was awarded the highest prize at the Panamerican Exposition for its extraordinary large size, uniform shape and excellent quality. Potted plants in full bearing were exhibited for several weeks by a Mr. Ryckman attracting much attention. The plants standing up strong, fully 15 inches high, with long strong fruiting stems, loaded with large fat berries. The ripe fruit of size of ordinary hens eggs.—Introducer.

A promising variety as fruited here. Large and fine. Good strong healthy plants.

S. S. Crissey, horticultural editor of Grape Belt, says of it:

It is in the front rank of the strictly big berries, right alongside such varieties as Marshall and New York. It is, however, a week earlier than the last named.

Beaver (Perfect.) Originated by Mr. J. F. Beaver, the well known horticulturist of Ohio, the originator of Margaret, Nick Ohmer, Downing's Bride and other fancy berries. Those who have tested the Beaver claim it is the best of all of his varieties.

M. Crawford, the introducer, says:

The plant is a strong grower, perfectly healthy, sends out plenty of runners, has a perfect blossom and is a prolific bearer. The season is medium. The fruit is large, roundish, conical and very uniform in shape and size. The color is a bright, glossy red. Before coloring a beautiful white.

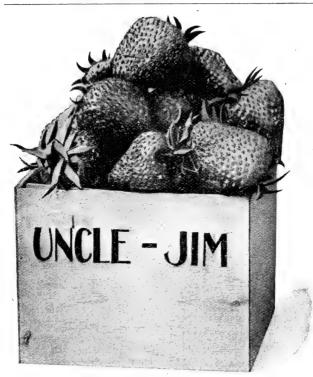
Later he says: Another year's experience confirms our high opinion of this variety. It is the standard of excellence for quality.

President (Imperfect.) Vines dark green with tall foliage and long runners. Fruit very large, round, solid. Color a bright glossy red; firm and of good quality. A showy berry to attract atention and sell at fancy prices. Moderately productive here last year, but large, uniform in shape, and strictly fancy. Season medium to late.

Commander (Ferfect.) Mr. A. T. Goldsborough in writing of a quart box of six berries of this variety taken to the Secretary of Agriculture, Mr. Wilson, in conclusion says:

I challenge one and all growers to produce another box of berries as large, solid, well colored and as fine flavored. I also assert for the variety that no other sort can compare with it in health, vigor and perfect plant habits. Wm. Saunders, horticulturist, certified:—These were the largest berries I ever saw. They looked at first sight like tomatoes.

We were nearly sold out of this variety, buying more plants for our own resetting. We regard it as a promising variety.



### Uncle Iim

(Perfect.) variety was recognized so valuable and so much superior to all others of its type that it was sought change its name by action with the Michigan State Horticultural Society and was offered to the trade as "Dorman" by a member, after we had introduced it as the Uncle Jim. the name given it on the Chicago market in honor of J. F. Dorman, its discoverer, or Uncle Jim as many him. of ballen Glenn. Michigan. The Uncle Jim is a moderate plant maker, but the plants are large. making good rows for fruiting. The

fruit is large, high quality and handsome; firm for a big berry and productive. The season is medium to late. Mr. Wooster, of Maine, stated in his catalogue as follows:

We place the Uncle Jim at the head of the list, simply because it belongs there. We have watched for reports of it very carefully now for two years, and it seemes to be a great success everywhere. With us it is certainly the best all around berry we have ever tested. It is a very large, thrifty plant with a massive root system. The fruit is the largest of any variety, firm and ripens evenly all over at once, which is not the case with most large berries. It is very productive, and its fruiting season is long, from midseason to late. The very best to ship to a distant fancy market.

J. H. Hale, of Connecticut, says:

Only a moderate plant maker, and so every plant is a buster. Berries very large, somewhat of the same type as Maximus and Morgan, but a deeper red on the outside, and has red flesh all through.

M. Crawford, of Ohio, says:

The Uncle Jim is one of our best late berries, makes strong, healthy plants, sending its roots deep and maturing all its fruit. The fruit is large, firm and of good flavor. Our Ohio Station report says: One of the best and most productive varieties of its class. Desirable and profitable as a home or as a market berry.

Wooll & Tillotson of Michigan, in their catalogue for 1905 say:

Uncle Jim fairly outdid itself the past season, although we dug up everything but the old plants, owing to the great demand for it. Yet these old plants after being rooted around and cuffed about yielded some of the largest berries on our grounds.

W. S. Todd, of Delaware, says:

The plants are so large and green they may be told from other varieties a long distance. The fruit is very large, deep red and good quality. Last season I had this on low ground and it was so productive and the fruit so large that it made one wish he had several acres of it.

Carmel, Indiana, February 9, 1905.

Dear Sirs:—I wish to congratulate you on the many nice things the catalogues and bulletins are saying for your Uncle Jim. My order will be small this year, but I have bought several times from you and never got a plant untrue to name and, except some Haverlands last spring, never have lost a plant.

Very truly yours, FRANK MOFFITT.

Ipswich, Massachusetts, May 16, 1905.

Your Uncle Jim is fine. It is of the Jessie and New York type, but while both the

varieties failed utterly the Uncle Jim yielded a fine crop of immense berries, that I to a "fussy" customer with perfect satisfaction to him. Enclosed find a small The plants received some weeks ago are looking fine, as good as plants bought Nery trully yours, ALBERT F. TENNEY I sold to a "fussy" here in Massachusetts.

(Perfect.) This variety is described as one of the earliest to ripen. Success The berries large, of globular form, bright flame color, and of superior mild sweet flavor, but not firm enough for shipping. Plants of strong, vigorous growth and one of the most prolific varieties in cultivation. By reason of its earliness, beauty, fine quality and great productiveness it is a strawberry of great value to the home grower. Plants of this variety were sent to us last spring by one of our customers in Connecticut; also the following letter which we copy in part.

North Stoughton, Connnecticut, February 13, 1905.

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Dear Sirs:—Your catalogue to hand and I have given it a thorough perusal. I get many catalogues from all over the U. S., but am most pleased to get yours of any that come to me. Your Eaton raspberry plants come high at 50 cents each, but I must have them. I bought three plants of Early King of you several years ago at 25 cents each. I have sold thousands of the plants, all grown from the three I got of you to start with. I have a strawberry that you do not catalogue, a Connecticut seedling, "The Success." There is another variety by this name described as a small plant, while this "Connecticut" variety makes a large plant, as large as Bubach, of which it is a seedling crossed with Michels Early and beats any early berry I have ever fruited. I send you clipping from the Farm and Home in regard to it, etc. Very truly yours, CHARLES E. CHAPMAN.

Mead (Perfect.) Originated by H. O. Mead, ex-president of the Massachusetts Fruit Growers Association and described as follows:

It is a good thrifty grower, with healthy foliage, perfect blossom, and fruit as near perfection in form as I ever saw. Flesh redish and solid, and to my taste one of the best in quality. It is a heavy cropper of good sized berries which hold their size well till the end of the season. It colors evenly, with no green tips, and does well on all kinds of land.—Originator.

We were much pleased with our first fruiting of this new berry. The plants are good strong growers. The fruit is large, dark red, firm and of good quality. It ripened early and continued fruiting a long time, bearing heavily. One of the most promising.

(Perfect.) Plants from California in 1903. Fruit large, nearly Olympia round, bright red, moderately firm, good quality and productive. Quite similar in foliage and fruit to Mexican, but larger and more productive. A good home berry. Medium early.

(Imperfect.) Plants large, vigorous and healthy; a good grower. Nettle Fruit large, light red and produced in great abundance. If the fruit was firmer, more attractive and of better quality, it would rank well here with the best late varieties. Recommended only for trial. It has pleased others.

(Perfect.) We regard this, after fruiting it two years, as one of Fairfield the very best of the extra early varieties for market. It is good strong grower and productive. Fruit large, bright red, firm and of good The originator says. quality.

I have grown this berry for several years and have never seen its equal for earliness, large size, productiveness, color, quality and firmness. Out of 15 kinds this was far ahead as a money-maker, and were all done except the last picking when others began. I believe it will average twice the size and double the quarts of Michels Early aside from being five days earlier.

Crawford savs:

Another year's experience leads me to think that this is a very valuable early variety. Among 160 varieties at our Experiment Station it was the most productive of all the early kinds.

(Perfect.) Plants of this much praised variety were received from Climax the introducers in 1903. We quote from American Gardening a part of an article by Chas. Wright, of Delaware:

The greatest strawberry I have yet seen is this new berry. Climax, originated by H. W. Graham from seed of Bubach fertilized by Hoffman's Early. From less than one-fourth acre he shipped 105 60-quart crates of berries. The beds were some three or four feet wide. The tops of the plants knee high, so you can imagine what a sight it was. The plants have a rough foliage, very heavy and strong. I did not see a single misshaped berry, and he said every bloom made a berry. I never saw such a sight in my life. The fruit is large, firm, of good medium red color, and of good flavor. In fact all anyone could desire. There were good beds of other varieties near them, but this was at least twice as good as any. Mr. Graham picked his first quart May 10, this year. If the country could see it, he would not have one plant in a hundred to supply the demand. the demand.

Mr. Wright is well known as the pomologist of the Columbian Exposition. He was invited by friends to go and see this berry and he bought 10,000 plants on the spot for his own planting.

This is the most talked about new variety in the East, where the sale of plants is no doubt greater for a new variety, than any ever introduced. We had a large supply last year, but after resetting we were again sold out, except a few plants in our plat reserved for fruit. With this small showing we were well pleased. It seems to be "all right," as so many have proclaimed. We have a good supply for 1906 for those who could not be supplied last year, if they order early. It is said to be the largest early berry, and the most productive early berry that is large.

General DeWet (Imperfect.) A seedling of the Bubach and Parker Earle, introduced by T. C. Kevitt, of New Jersey, as the latest to ripen, the healthiest and tallest grower, the most drouth resisting of 75 varieties on his farm, and the most productive, with imperfect blossom, and the greatest stooling berry on the market; producing the finest berries with a beautiful gloss, as if each had received a coat of varnish. With once fruiting this appears to be a good variety; good healthy plants and productive of large sized, bright glossy red berries of good quality, ripening from medium to late.

Latest (Imperfect.) Plants from S. H. Warren, of Massachusettes, in 1902.

The Latest is a cross between the Jewell and the Belmont. Mr. Warren says:

I have grown it six years, and have been growing strawberries 49 years, and this seedling is one of the most productive I have ever grown, and the latest I know of. In 1900, I picked a few berries the second day of August. This seedling was awarded first premium in 1899, at the Massachusetts Horticultural Exhibition with large competition. I have refused \$2.00 apiece for the plants.

The demand for this was more than our supply last year and we had none left to fruit, but in 1904 it was among the largest on our grounds, some of them as large as any we had ever fruited. It was very late and extraordinary productive; not firm enough for shipping, but good quality and very attractive. A berry for the home garden or a nearby fancy market. The plants are large and stocky with healthy, dark green foliage.

Midnight (Perfect.) This is G. H. Hale's latest. Claimed by him to be the latest ever offered. The plants are good growers here. The fruit large, of good form, color and quality, but the season was too wet for it. Needs further trial.

Mark Hanna (Perfect.) Plants from M. T. Thompson, of Virginia, in 1902. A seedling of the Bubach. Not so large as Bubach, but firmer and much more productive. Plants healthy and more vigorous. Fruit good to large size, bright red, firm and of good quality. Midseason.

Challenge (Perfect.) Introduced by M. Crawford, of Ohio. We find the Challenge all that has been claimed for it. The plants are good growers, with clean, healthy foliage. Fruit large to extra large, long, broad and flattened as a rule, of bright, glossy red color and very handsome when crated, but with more or less white on the underside of the largest berries unless mulched to keep them from the ground. It is a good cropper and the season is medium to late. A good variety.

Nichols Granville (Perfect.) The berries are large in size, perfect in shape, color when fully ripe a very dark glossy red: solid and of delicious flavor, fresh or canned; ripens medium to late, holding up well in size. It has a perfect blossom and is a good fertilizer. Fruit stems and leaves tall, bearing clusters well up from the ground, remaining firm on the vines for some time after ripe. Plants vigorous, healthy and productive.

Prof. W. J. Green, of the Ohio Experiment Station, says:

It is a berry for home use or for canning, holding its shape when canned equal to Warfield or Enhance, and is superior to either in quality. Again in the Ohio Farmer he says: I have not seen a better berry for home use or for canning.

Camerons Early (Perfect.) Introduced by D. Brandt, of Ohio, in 1902, with an offer of \$100.00 for 100 plants of any variety which was earlier and better. Mr. Brandt says:

I believe it is the earliest of all strawberries. It was full of ripe berries and at its best when Michels Early, Excelsior and other early sorts commenced to show a few ripe berries. Mr. A. Warner, of Iowa, says: Cameron's Early was ready for business two weeks before any other variety.

This is one of the best of the extra early varieties here. The fruit is good size, medium red color and good quality, a good bearer and a vigorous grower, with tall foliage to protect the bloom from late frosts in spring.

Crimson Cluster. (Perfect.) This is the finest late variety that I have ever fruited, and nothing that I know of equals it. It was found near an old bed of Gandy and is supposed to be a seedling of that variety. The plants are much like Gandy, but better plant makers. Will do well on light land and produce one-third more fruit per acre. The fruit is of the same shape, larger, as firm, dark crimson color, has a large green cap, ripens two days later and continues much longer in bearing.—Introducer. Not yet fruited here.

Reynolds (Perfect.) Plants large, with heavy dark green foliage. Fruit said to be large, colors all over at once, a bright glossy red, firm and of good quality. Not fruited here.

Arkansas Black (Perfect.) This magnificent berry is without a fault. Plants enormous crop of the most beautiful berries, large, very dark (almost black) uniform, firm, red all the way through, very rich, best flavor. Extra early, but will produce as large a crop as the best midseason varieties.—Introducer. Not fruited here.

Catherine (Imperfect.) The fruit is very large, roundish, conical. Colors all over productive, with tall bright green foliage and long runners. Season medium to late.—

Introducer. Not fruited here.

Warren's Seedling (Imperfect.) Plants from M. T. Thompson, of Virginia, the introducer, who says:

This is one of the latest berries I know of and one of the most productive. Firm, excellent shipper. It is a seedling of Carrie and originated by me six years ago. Fine foliage and fine fruit and none so productive in its season. Not fruited here.

Early Hathaway (Perfect.) Tall, luxuriant foliage. Fruit large, bright good quality and productive. A promising new variety. Season early.

Earliest (Perfect.) "Thompson's Earliest." Quite similar with Cameron's Early. One of the best for extra early berries.

Ernie (Prefect.) Plants medium in size, upright in growth, with dark green foliage and stiff fruit stems, holding the fruit well up from the ground. The berries are good size, dark glossy red, uniform in shape, firm and good quality. A good grower and productive. Midseason.

Lyon (Imperfect.) A great plant maker and a heavy cropper of medium sized, moderately firm, fair quality berries. It bears so heavy that the fruit stems cannot hold up the berries which often fail to color up well on the underside. Midseason.

Early Beauty (Perfect.) This was among the first to ripen, and bore a good crop of bright red, nearly round, good sized berries that were firm and of good quality. The ohiginator says:

I challenge one and all for an earlier berry. A better shipper cannot be found. Rust and drouth proof. As large and productive as Crescent, and two weeks earlier than Excelsior.

Louis Hubach (Imperfect.) A seedling of Warfield and Lady Thompson. The three times as much as Lady Thompson.—Introducer.

With us it is immensely productive of small to medium bright red berries, quite firm and of fair quality. Medium early.

Stahelin (Imperfect.) A strong, vigorous grower and heavy yielder. Fruit medium size, bright red, firm and of fair quality. Medium early.

Lucas (Perfect.) A good grower and very productive here last season. Fruit large, roundish conical in form, quite firm, good color and good midseason.

Elba (Perfect.) An extra early variety that we got from California several years ago. The plants are vigorous and healthy growers. Fruit of good size, bright red, firm and of good quality. Reliable and valuable for extra early berries.

Mrs. Mark Hanna (Perfect.) This did much better here last year. The quality. A fancy berry. Midseason.

Yant (Perfect.) A moderate plant maker, but plants are large and robust. Fruit very large of fine color and high quality. Fairly productive. Season medium to late.

Auto (Perfect.) Much like Yant in plant and fruit, but earlier and not quite so large a berry.

Superior (Perfect.) A good sized berry and a good yielder of extra firm, bright colored handsome fruit of good quality. Grown extensively in the East for shipping. A good plant and a good grower. Medium season.

Lester Lovett (Perfect.) Practically the same as Gandy. Some claim it is later and superior. As good as Gandy; is a good variety in any case. Our plants are from the introducer.

The following four varieties are from M. T. Thompson, of Virginia, and have not yet fruited here.

Thompson's No. 2(Perfect.) Claimed to be immensely productive, large been varnished; large double calyx like Gandy; highest quality and firm.

Thompson's No. 3 (Ferfect.) A seedling of the Lady Thompson, but firmer, handsomer and best shipper. Sent out under restrictions not to sell at less than \$2.00 per dozen until spring of 1906.

Florella (Perfect.) A seedling of Bubach and Lady Thompson. Originated by J. P. H. Brown, of Georgia, who says: It looms up like a giant beside such varieties as Brandywine, Gandy and Nick Ohmer. Mr. Thompson says: It is excellent flavor, a splendid shipper for such a large berry.

Beidler (Imperfect.) Mr. Thompson says:

This is one of the most beautiful I have yet introduced. I have tested it for years and offer it will great confidence as i do all of my new berries. In size and productiveness it is simply wonderful. It is superior to Bubach in size, color, firmness and yield

Senator Dunlap (Perfect.) The great all around strawberry that is so universally admired for the home garden and for market. Dunlap is a seedling of the Warfield and shows its parentage, but a larger,



SENATOR DUNLAP.

handsomer and sweeter berry, with a large green cap that holds its color on the market; equally as firm as Warfield, but a lighter weight berry, and therefore a better carrier and keeper. Unexcelled for canning and easily hulled. The can-

ning factories advertise for Dunlap berries, and strictly choice it receives special mention in the city market reports along with Gandy and other staple fruits. The plants are small, but with long roots, a vigorous healthy grower and a reliable cropper. One customer reports at the rate of 500 bushels per acre. We have grown it 300 bushels per acre with ordinary culture in thickly matted rows, the berries averaging as large and larger than our illustration and selling at the highest price. The demand for this variety is increasing rapidly, but we grow the Dunlap in large quantities for fruit as well as for plants and we can furnish them in large amount.

Jones County, Iowa, March 13, 1905.

Dunlap does the best with us. Others we have tried are no comparison. Enclosed se find, etc.

H. T. MILLS. please find, etc.

Oakland County, Michigan, 1905.

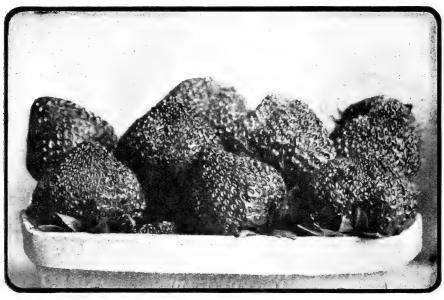
The plants I got of you two years ago were O. K. Dunlap done the best. I had the crop. I want the following varieties for a propagating bed. a fine crop. L. L. SEELEY.

Calhoun County. Michigan, January 30, 1905.
I am much interested in your catalogue just received. I had 2,000 plants of you.
The **Dunlaps** are the nicest berries I ever raised. I think they are the best all around veriety. I shall want more plants of you this spring.

G. D. STRAUB.

Oakland County. Michigan, April 28, 1905. Dear Sirs:—Enclosed find \$40.50 for plants received. Excuse delay. The day you shipped the plants I had two large barns destroyed by fire. I heeled the plants in and have just finished setting. They were O. K. Thanks for present of the Gibson. If it is a fancy berry it will do. I know what the Dunlap is. It is principally my main crop.

Yours truly, G. C. CLARK.



#### PARSON'S BEAUTY.

Parson's Beauty (Perfect.) A good healthy grower and immense cropper of large, solid berries of good form, color and quality. There is probably not a variety in existence that will outyield it, or one that is more reliable. M. Crawford says:

Every season makes the conviction stronger in us that this is one of the safest varieties to plant for market. We should prefer it to Haverland, Bubach, Bismarck or Warfield for market purposes.

We hear nothing but praise for the Parsons Beauty from every section. The plants are ideal large and thrifty growers, with abundant roots, the largest of any variety we know, which much accounts for its great success under any and all conditions. It is a first class berry and a good variety, with a long fruiting season.

Marion County, Indiana, March 10, 1905.

Those plants I got of you did finely. I am much pleased with Parsons Beauty, hence the enclosed order. Spring of 1903 I sent to —— for 500 "Pedigree" plants. They were very small and they made a thick matted row, but looked more like "scrub" than blooded stock. The crop was barely worth picking. Last spring I reset some of the plants and they do not look like the same variety, they are so much larger and thrifty. As long as your plants do as well as they have, you can count on my orders.

Very truly yours, F. C. McCURDY.

Oom Paul (Perfect.) Large, healthy plants, making good rows for fruiting. Fruit large, rather long, dark red on the outside and red throughout when fully ripe. The flesh is quite firm and of good quality. The introducer says:

Oom Faul is the largest strawberry ever fruited on our plant farm. Six berries filled a quart box. Stupendous in size and delicious in flavor; nice shape, elegant color; shipping the best and very productive.

The Experiment Station at Wooster, Ohio, reports:

A fine large berry of good quality, and worthy of trial for home use or market.

Marie (Imperfect.) Growing plants of this variety show a peculiar bright flush of red at the base of leaf stems and joining with the crown, as if to signal business for the future, and it is a business berry. Customers write in praise of the Marie, and it is a favorite with us. We have never heard a bad report of it. The fruit is large, round as a ball, uniform in size and shape as Gandy and about the same color. As we have sometimes written a customer, just imagine a crate full of little oranges, and you have the Marie, only a deeper richer color. It is a handsome berry, especially when crated, fairly firm and quite tart until fully ripe. Late in the season it is especially rich. A heavy cropper and reliable. Season medium to quite late.

The Marie is distinct from all other varieties. The fruit of Marie and Springdale Beauty look much alike, but the latter is an early berry with perfect bloom and more abundant plant growth. We grow Springdale alongside of Marie with Dunlap and Uncle Jim close by.

Tama County, Iowa, November 25, 1904.

Dear Sir:—Those Marie and Springdale Beauty you sent me as a present were extra fine last year. Everyone seems to think Marie the nicest berry they ever saw. The yield was heavy. Uncle Jim was extra fine. I have ordered \$14.00 worth of plants. I expect to make a record for the other fellows around here to beat. They claim that home grown plants are as good or better, but my berries sell 25 to 40 cents more per crate.

C. C. JUDGE.

Later, April 15, 1905. I received the plants to-day all right.

Springdale Beauty (Perfect.) The Springdale Beauty is a good grower and abundant bearer. It ripens early and the fruit is large, firm and of high quality. They resemble the Marie in appearance and the two sorts make a good team. The berries hold out large to the end of its season.

Kansas

(Imperfect.) A good grower and bearer of good medium sized bright red berries; firm and of good quality. Midseason

Pennell (Perfect.) Fruit large, nearly round, dark rich red color, firm and the highest quality. We think more of the Pennell every year. It always bears abundantly, and is one of the varieties to which we direct our friends who visit us in fruiting when they want something of extra quality. If you have discriminating customers, try them with the Pennell. A good all season berry that will please the most exacting.

Monitor (Perfect.) Fruit large, round, bright red, moderately firm and of good quality. Plants vigorous and healthy, very productive and reliable, fruiting early to late. A good home berry or valuable for near market.

Excelsior (Perfect.) The well known standard early market berry. Plants vigorous, making many runners. Fruit medium to large size, round, dark red, firm, quite tart. Reliable and productive.

August Luther (Perfect.) Well known standard early market. More desirable than Excelsior with us, as of better quality, larger average size, and ripening more berries early in the season. A good grower and reliable. Fruit large, glossy bright red, firm and good quality.

Splendid (Perfect.) Well known, vigorous and hardy grower and reliable cropper of fair sized, nearly round, bright colored fairly firm, fair quality berries. Midseason.

Aroma (Perfect.) One of the best and most popular late market varieties that is being grown in larger acreage each year. A good plant and a good bearer of extra large handsome fruit, firm and of high quality, somewhat resembling the Gandy in appearance. A choice variety and reliable. Season late.

Beder Wood (Perfect.) Well known standard early market. Fruit medium to farge size, round, bright light red, and good quality.

Brandywine (Perfect.) Fruit large, dark red, firm and of good quality. Not always at its best, but a good late berry in certain sections and under high cultivation.

Nick Ohmer (Perfect.) Fruit large, roundish conical, bright glossy red and good quality. A showy berry for high culture. Season

Rough Rider (Perfect.) Fruit of good to large size nearly round, firm, dark red color, good quality and quite productive. A very moderate plant maker. Not at its best in some sections. Medium to late.

Johnson's Early (Perfect.) A vigorous, healthy grower and a great plant form, color and quality. Standard early market.

Lovett (Perfect.) Well known standard midseason variety. A thrifty, healthy grower and productive of good sized bright red berries; firm and good quality.

Ridgway (Perfect.) Fruit large, nearly round, glossy bright red color, fairly firm and good quality. Plants healthy, vigorous and productive. A choice berry and a good variety. Midseason.

Tennessee Prolific (Perfect.) Well known standard market. A good grower, reliable and productive of large, bright colored berries, resembling the Sharpless. Midseason.

Pocomoke (Perfect.) Fruit large, of good form, color and quality; good healthy plants. Very productive and reliable. A good market variety. Midseason:

Sample (Imperfect.) Fruit large, roundish, conical, bright red, moderately firm, good quality. A good near market sort. Midseason to late.

Warfield (Imperfect.) The great canning berry and well known market sort. This with Dunlap makes a good strong team. Vigorous, productive and reliable. Midseason.

Bubach (Imperfect.) Fruit large, not very firm; good quality. Well known standard near market variety. Midseason.

Enormous (Imperfect.) A standard market berry. A seeding of the Bubach, but a better grower and a better berry. Fruit large, bright glossy red, and holds its color on the market. Firm and of good quality. Very productive and reliable. Midseason.

Gibson (Perfect.) Fruit large and handsome; nearly round in form, dark glossy red color, firm and good quality, somewhat resembles the Marshall. A good grower and productive. Midseason to late.

Enhance (Perfect.) Fruit large, bright red, firm, good quality. Plants tough, healthy and vigorous; productive and reliable. Midseason

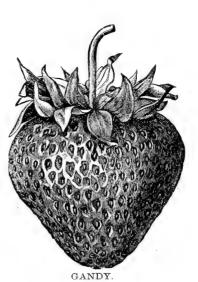
Haverland (Imperfect.) Well known. Fruit large, bright light red, fairly firm, good quality. Very productive and reliable. Early to late.

Glen Mary (Imperfect.) Imperfedt blossoms, but having small stamens. Fruit large, dark red, quite firm and of good quality. A good grower, productive and reliable. Midseason to late.

Gandy (Perfect.) Very late. Fruit large, firm, high quality and handsome; a good grower and productive. The well known standard late shipping berry.

Clyde (Perfect.) Well known near market variety. Fruit large, round, not very firm, light bright red. Very productive. Midseason.

Greenville (Imperfect.) Well known market berry. Fruit large, firm, of good form, color and quality. Productive and reliable. Midseason.



Klondike (Perfect.) Fruit large to very large, nearly round, smooth, glossy, mottled bright and darker red; handsome. Medium sized plants. A good grower and productive. Very late.

Seaford (Imperfect.) A good strong grower, and productive of large, dark red, good quality and attractive fruit. A good variety. Midseason.

Parker Earle (Perfect.) Well known, makes few plants, but of large and stocky growth. Fruit large, wedge shape, blunt on the end, high color and good quality. Immensely productive. Season late.

Marshall (Perfect.) The standard of excellence. Plants large, making a moderate amount of runners. Fruit large, roundish, very dark glossy red, attractive, quite firm and of high quality. Medium early.

## Price List of Strawberries.

These prices are by express, not prepaid.

When ordered by mail, add 5 cents for each dozen; 10 cents for each 25; 30 cents for each 100.

Six plants of one variety at dozen rate; 50 at 100 rate; 500 at 1,000 rate. P for Perfect; I for Imperfect.

	12	25	100	250	1000		12	25	100	250	1000
AromaP	\$0.15	\$0.20	\$0.50	\$1.00	\$3.00	LovettP	\$0.15	\$0.20	\$0.50	\$1.00	\$3.00
Aug. Luther, P	.15	.20	.50	1.00	2.50	MarieI	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.50
BeaverP	.15	.25	.60			Mark Hanna, I	.20	.30	1.00		
Beder Wood, P	.15	.20	.50	1.00	2.50	MarshallP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.50
BismarckP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00	Michels					
Brandywine .P	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00	EarlyP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	2.50
BubachI	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.50	MonitorP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	2.75
BusterI	.20	.30	1.00			New HomeP	.30	.50	1.50		
Cameron's						Nick Ohmer, P	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00
EarlyP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00	Nichols					
ChallengeP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00	GranvilleP	.20	.30	1.00		
ClimaxP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.50	Oom PaulP	.15	20	4.50	1.00	3.00
ClydeP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00	Parker Earle, P	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.50
Commander .P	.20	.30	1.00			Parsons					
Com'nwealth, P	.25	.40	1.00			BeautyP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00
Crimson						PennellP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00
ClusterP	20	.30	1.00			PocomokeP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00
Downing's						PresidentI	.20	.30	1.00		
$\operatorname{Bride} \ldots I$	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00	RidgewayP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00
DuncanP	.15	.20	.60			RyckmanP	.20	.30	1.00		
EarliestP	.15	.20	.50			SampleI	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00
Early Beauty, P	.15	.20	.60			SeafordI	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00
ElbaP	.15	.20	.60			Senator					
EnhanceP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00	DunlapP	15	.20	.50	1.00	2.50
EnormousI	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00	Springdale					
ExcelsiorP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	2.75	BeautyP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00
FairfieldP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.50	SplendidP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00
GandyP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00	Stevens Late					
Gen. DeWet, P	.20	.30	1.00			Champion .P	.15	.20	.60		
GibsonP		.20	.50	1.00	3.00	SuccessP	.20	.30	1.00		
Glen Mary I	.15	$.\overline{20}$	.50	1.00	3.00	SuperiorP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00
GreenvilleI	.15	.20	.50	1.00	2.75	Tennessee					
Haverland	.15	.20	.50	1.00	2.75	ProlificP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00
HeroP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00	Uncle JimP	.15	.20	.50	1.25	4.00
JessieP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00	VelvetI	.25	.40	1.50		
Johnson's						WarfieldI	.15	.20	.50	1.00	2.50
EarlyP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	2.75	Wm. BeltP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00
KlondikeP	.15	.20	.50	1.00	3.00	YantP	.15	.20	.60		
LatestI	.20	.30	1.00								

We can furnish the following varieties in limited amount. Some are old sorts, held in high regard in certain sections and are in limited demand; others are new and may be in our list next year. See postage extra for plants by mail at top of main list.

1	12	25	100	12	25	100
Arizona (new)\$(	0.15	\$0.20	\$0.60	Maximus\$0.1	5 \$0.20	\$0.60
Arkansas Black (new)	.25			McKinley		.60
Auto ~	.15	.20	.50	Midnight (new)	5 .20	.60
Ben Davis (new)	.15			Miller	5 .20	.50
Brunette	.15	.20	.50	Minute Man	5 .20	.50
Beidler (new)	.50			Morgan	5	
Catherine (new)	.20	.30	1.00	Mrs. Mark Hanna (new) .2	0	
Chellie (new)	.25			Nettie	5 .20	.60
Cobden Queen	.15	.20	.50	New York	5 .20	.50
Crescent (\$2.50 per M)	.15	.20	.50	Ninety-Six (new)1	5	
Dandy (new)	.25			Olympia (new)	5 .20	.60
Dewey	.15	.20	.50	Oregon (new)		.60
Early Hathaway (new).	.15	.20	.60	Pan American (75c each) 7.5	0	
Ernie (new)	.15	.20	.60	Porto Rico	5 .20	.50
Fountain	.15	.20	.50	Repeater	0	
Florella (new)	.50			Reynolds (new)2	0	
Gladstone	.15	.20	.50	Rough Rider (\$3.50 per M) .1	5 .20	.50
Hawaii (new)	.15	.20	.60	Saunders		.50
	.15	.20	.60	Sharpless	5 .20	.50
Howell's	.15			Staderman		.75
Jacoma (new)	.30			Stahelin		.60
	.15	.20	.50	Sutherland		
Joe	.15			Texas	5	

Kan	sas (\$3.00 per M)	.15	.20	.50	Thompson's No. 2	.50		
Lest	er Lovett (\$3 per M)	.15	.20	.50	Thompson's No. 3	.50		
Loui	s Hubach (new)	.15	.20	.60	Twentieth Century (new)	.15		
Luca	as (new)	.15			Warren's Seedling (new)	.50		
Lyon	1	.15	.20	.50	Wolverton	.15	.20	.50
Mead	(von)	15	2.0	6.0				

Substitution.—We desire to furnish each customer exactly what he orders, but sometimes find the variety all sold before his order is reached. If marked "no substitution," we are obliged to disappoint our customer by returning money late in the season, although able to supply another sort of like season and of equal, if not greater value. In such case, except for new varieties for testing, unless the order is marked "no substitution," we will understand you desire us to use our best judgment for your benefit and we will, if thus permitted, give extra count or include something new and valuable

## Raspberries.



EATON RASPBERRIES. (Reduced Size.)

The Eaton Raspberry A new red raspberry and is entirely distinct from all other varieties. In character of growth; in size, color, firmness, quality and yield of fruit; in length of season, and in all

strong points of merit it stands unequaled and alone. A variety that is at once perfectly healthy in root and foliage, and hardy, coming through our most severe winters in prime condition; a strong, "not tall and slender," but a sturdy grower, throwing out many laterals and fruiting to the tips and from every lateral, a sight to see. An immense cropper, by far outyielding any red raspberry we have ever known while the fruit is extraordinary large and handsome, firm and of the highest quality.

We stated in our catalogue last year that it was a seedling found growing on the farm of Amos Garretson, of Indiana. Some early correspondence got mislaid or lost, and we got this wrong; and soon after our catalogue was out we received a letter from a customer in Indiana, in part as follows:

Please send your catalogue to Mr. Eaton. He is the man that grows those big red raspberries. He told me that he started with one plant that he found growing in his orchard. Write to him and he will tell you all about it. They are the winners in the market. When the Eaton berries come to town we all have to stand back. Look for my order soon.

Yours truly,

M. H. CRULL.

We forwarded this letter to Mr. Garretson who replied:

I feel quite sure I previously stated this contract between Mr. Eaton and myself. In the first place I bought a few plants of him. They did so wonderfluly well that I went back the next year in bearing time with another party, and bought more plants and the right to introduce it. He desiring me to name them Eaton, which I did. He had been calling them Eaton Seedling. Prof. John Craig suggested dropping the word seedling, and I think you are familiar with what has followed. The credit of discovery belongs to Mr. Eaton, "a one-armed soldier of the Civil war," who felt himself unequal to its proper introduction.

Plants of this new and valuable variety were received from Mr. Garretson in April, 1902. To give them the severest test possible, we set them on about the poorest ground we had, a stony hill alongside the railroad that never had or has been manured or fertilized in any way. The plants have not been cultivated since 1902, or mulched, but allowed to do what they would without further attention except to pick the fruit each season. Denied the advantages of even ordinary cultivation it still outranks anything in red raspberries we have ever seen or heard of. We think it not too much to say, after fruiting it three years (now four years, including the first season on the spring set plants) that it is without a doubt the finest red raspberry in existence, and destined to supercedeall others for commercial growing and heavy planting in the future.

The fruit is larger than the Loudon, a deeper richer red when fully ripe, and of the most sprightly exquisite flavor possible to imagine, fresh or canned. The firmest and the handsomest of all varieties, and the most productive. It will outyield the Loudon two to one as we have grown it, before the Loudon developed root gall and we plowed them up.

The Eaton is not an untried novelty for spectacular introduction merely, but has a record, as will be plainly seen by what will follow. More than this, we know it too. We are proud to be introducers of so distinct nad valuable a berry. We have proved it well before we offered it, and we like it better every year. At first we tried to pick them before fully ripe, when bright red. They were so large and fine, but they pulled off hard and crumbled more or less. After that we picked only those that were a deeper red, still more beautiful and fully ripe, and they came off easily and whole and firm. When ripe to pick they hang on well and do not drop with every touch, but can be picked more rapidly and at

less expense than any sort we know, chiefly because they are so large and so many of them. To use a home-like term, we are going in for this new berry for fruit to ship, for the firmest, biggest, handsomest, best quality red raspberry on the city market.

Red raspberries are in great demand. Note the prices in the cities for the past few years. The larger markets never have been well supplied, and less so of late than formerly, because of root gall and the destruction of many large plantations. The country needs a great commercial berry that is proof against this weakness; that is hardy and productive, large and handsome; that will hang upon the bushes longer after ripe, firm to ship, and with a longer fruiting season. For canning or for jam the Eaton is unequaled. The Eaton brand would bring fancy prices in the cities.

Those who hold red raspberries as finest fruit, but do not grow them for market, because accustomed to regard them as moderate producers, compared with strawberries, will be surprised at the great productiveness of this new variety, and more so as the plants get well established and the crop increases year by year. They begin to ripen at the close of the strawberry season, among the first, but continue to bear fine fruit until all other red raspberries are done.

## Eaton Awarded Large Bronze Medal at the Pan-American Exposition.

#### A Silver Medal for Eaton at the St. Louis World's Fair.

Dear Sirs:—I send you a few letters which please return. The Eaton began to ripen just at the close of strawberries, June 19, and our last picking was August 10 (seven weeks and two days). They were much larger and more productive than Loudon, firm and of high quality. We sold at our village market at 10 cents per pint.

Prof. Green, of the Ohio Experiment Station was here to see them while in fruit and he advised me to exhibit them at the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo. You can tell what he thinks of them by what he wants now. The last letter from Virginia comes voluntarily. Note that Prof. John Craig, of Iowa, speaks in high terms of the Eaton for quality, yield and size, the largest of 75 varieties at the Agricultural College, etc., but reports them a little crumbly. This is when he tries to pick them before fully ripe. When ripe to pick they are firm and solid and do not crumble. The only fault I could find with them is this: the berries are so very large they have to turn down before fully ripe, as the stems cannot support the weight, so that if there should come a long rainy spell at ripening the berries would get more or less watersoaked, if left to fully ripen on the bush, but the berries are so fine in color before fully ripe, that they may be clipped at such a time and allowed to finish ripening in the box and sold like strawberries with the hull and core. If you wish to ship a long distance (New York or Boston) clip the stem close to the berry when full size and bright scarlet red. They are solid and will not leave the core, but ripen up beautifully and be in perfect condition three to four days later.

This is the way I sent them to the Pan-American Exposition at Burfalo. I sent them to Prof. H. E. VanDeman to exhibit and he pronounced them fine. I believe I told you I received a large bronze medal for the exhibit. Yours for the good that we can do.

AMOS GARRETSON.

Indiana, July 9, 1904.

Gentlemen:—We are advertising you pretty extensively at the World's Fair with Eaton cards with your address as the introducers, also a large card with fancy hand painted fruit as well as by the fruit itself. Have made four shipments to the exhibition so far and intend to send three times per week until the middle of August. We are selling 10 to 15 crates per day at 10 cents per pint box. To say they are fine is only to say what everyone says. Please state in your catalogue that we will not sell plants so that no one will write to us for them, Yours truly,

AMOS GARRETSON.

Later we received a telegram from Mr. Garretson as follows:

#### Silver Medal was awarded Eaton Raspberry at St. Louis World's Fair.

Muncie, Indiana, February 7, 1905.

My Dear Friend:—I am prompted to write you by reading of the Eaton raspberry in Flansburgh's late catalogue. From what I read there, and what I saw of it on my own place last summer, where unclutivated and almost unnoticed it had made a successful fight with a heavy bluegrass sod, I predict that it has come to stay, and will prove the most profitable red raspberry.

GRANVILLE COWING.

To whom it may concern: This is to testify I have watched the development of the Eaton raspberry, and was among the first to test its good qualities, and I can truly say as a disinterested party, that I consider it one fo the most promising berries of the kind ever placed before the public.

THOS. M. HARDY, Pendleton, Indiana.

Pendleton, Indiana.

In regard to the Eaton red raspberry. For ourselves as dealers, and for our customers as well, to say that we are all much pleased with it, is putting it very mildly indeed. Fine, large size and unsurpassed quality. Firm and do not break up as many do. The length of the season, too, is in its favor, six to eight weeks. As we have sold them to our trade for the past six years, and have our customers ask for them, and wait for them, it certainly shows how much a favorite they are with all. Wishing you success, which the Eaton most certainly deserves, we are,

Yours respectfully, ROGERS & SON CO.

Pendleton, Indiana.

Friend Garretson:—I cheerfully add a testimonial to the many you have received for your famous Eaton red raspberry. We consider it decidedly the best red raspberry in the market. It is large size, excellent quality, and has no musty flavor, as with the Cuthbert. It is a little tart which gives it a delicious flavor when sugar is added. It is a most excellent variety for canning, and a point greatly in its favor is that it is on the market from six to eight weeks.

Very truly,

W. F. MORRIS.

Anderson, Indiana, 1905.

The Eaton red raspberry as we have known them for the past three years are far superior to all other red raspberries in their richness of flavor, size and color, and being solid, are much safer to handle than other varieties. They begin to ripen early, and last until all other varieties are gone. We have found them in all respects the most satisfactory and most profitable berries to handle.

Respectfully, MASTERS & SHACKLEFORD.

Anderson, Indinaa, 1905.

We have handled the famous Eaton red raspberries now four years. There is nothing better, being very large, solid and good keepers. Season lasting about six weeks. Can gladly recommend them to any one wanting fine fruit.

Yours, etc., BROWN & PETTIT.

Mitchell, Indiana, September 13, 1905.

Dear Friend Garretson:—Your Eaton raspberry has done well. We planted them in a good place and let them fruit at will, and they kept it up till the 10th of August. Of course they could not bear enough for company, being set last spring. Their great merit with us is their lively flavor. They have not produced many sprouts, but the old canes have grown vigorously. With kind regards.

Yours truly, JOE A. BURTON.

Supt. Burton Fruit Co.

Franklin, Indiana, September 9, 1905.

Friend Garrettson:—In regard to Eaton raspberry. I want to say I believe it stands at the head of the list of the 'reds." We had a few berries on the five plants we set, and they were not only most excellent in flavor, but were large and showy, hanging well to the stem; and above all, I term it an everbearing raspberry. The fruit was setting and ripening up from early to late. I am satisfied it will keep up a supply of berries for a very long season. Other sorts have so short a season that it keeps one hustling to get satisfaction. I believe the Eaton, "when its good qualities are better known by the public generally," will take the lead above all the reds. I shall sot some more in the spring.

Very truly, W. S. YOUNG,

Sec'y Johnson Co Horticultural Ass'n.





#### EATON RASPBERRY

INTRODUCED BY

### THE FLANSBURGH & POTTER CO.

LESLIE, MICH.

CATALOGUE FREE

The Eaton sends up but few sprouts from the roots compared with most red raspherries, which is all the better for its fruiting, but it limits the supply of plants until we get a larger acreage. With what we have we hope to get enough more from Mr. Garretson to supply our customers in the spring. And we guarantee that every Eaton plant we send out in the spring shall live and grow: with the understanding that if any fail to do so, we will send more Eaton plants in the fall to make the number good. If by any chance, "no matter what," a single plant should die, remember we will make it good.

Price of plants for 1906; 35 cents each; \$3.50 per dozen, postpaid; \$20.00 per 100, by express.

#### OTHER RASPBERRIES.

		express, unpaid.
per	12	per 100
New King Raspberry (red)\$0.	50	\$2.00
Cuthbert (red)	40	1.50
Munger (black cap)	50	2.00
Cumberland (black cap)	50	2.00
Gregg (black cap)	.40	1.50
Kansas (black cap)	40	1.50
Haymaker (purble cap)	.50	2.00
Cardinal (purple cap)	.50	2.00
Columbian (purple cap)	.50	2.00
If wanted in larger quantity write for prices on l	list desired	T.



#### BLACKBERRIES.

The Blowers Blackberry (new), 10c each; \$1.00 per dozen, post paid. Eldorado; per dozen, postpaid, 50 cents; per 100, by express, \$2.00. Erie; per dozen, postpaid, 50 cents; per 100, by express, \$2.00. Snyder; per dozen, postpaid, 40 cents; per 100, by express, \$1.50. Lucretia Dewberry; per dozen, postpaid, 40 cents; per 100, by express, \$1.50. If wanted in larger quantities write for prices.

#### CURRANTS.

Red Cross; per dozen, postpaid, \$1.00; per 100, by express, \$6.00. London Market; per dozen, postpaid, \$1.00; per 100, by express, \$6.00. Larger lots at special rate.

#### GRAPES.

Concord; per dozen, postpaid, \$1.00; per 100, by express, \$5.00.

## PREMIUM OFFERS.

For an order of \$10.00 or more at catalogue price, received early (before March 1st) customers may select stock to the amount of 10 per cent. in addition FREE; if this offer is mentioned. That is, you may select stock to the amount of \$11.00 and send us \$10.00 in full payment for the same. For \$20.00 you may select stock to the amount of \$22.00, etc.

For orders of \$2.00 or over at catalogue prices (if mentioned when you order) by special arrangement we are able to give you one year's subscription to

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published at St. Joseph, Michigan. This is one of the best publications in the country (regular subscription price, 50 cents). If you are already a subscriber your subscription will be extended one year from the date it now expires.

## Special Collection Offers.

No. 1.—12 New Home, 12 Success, 12 Buster, 12 Mead, 12 Stevens Late Champion, for \$1.00, postpaid.

No. 2.—25 New Home, 25 Success, 25 Stevens Late Champion, for \$1.00, postpaid.

No. 3.—25 Beaver, 25 Commonwealth, 25 New Home, for \$1.00, postpaid.

No. 4.—12 Velvet, 12 New Home, 12 Commonwealth, 12 Beaver, for \$1.00, postpaid.

Order by Number. No changes made in above collections.

Send us your list for estimate on any number of varieties and quantity desired.

## We are Headquarters for Senator Dunlap, Warfield, and Gandy Strawberry Plants.

Special prices for above in 10,000 and 20,000 lots, or for other varieties of which we have a large supply.

. We will not be undersold if you want best grade stock for business.



OUR DUNLAP IN MATTED ROW-300 BUSHELS PER ACRE.

## Unsolicited Testimonials.

Bellingham, Washington, March 5, 1905.

Gentlemen:—Enclosed find cash and order for 1,000 plants, including postage. I want these for a friend. The plants you sent me arrived in **perfect** condition. I found a few climax plants among the extras and inclose 40 cents in stamps for a few more to finish a row.

Yours respectfully.

JAS. ROBERTSON.

Lorain County, Ohio, May 16, 1905.

Gentlemen:—Enclosed find order for more plants. Those received from you a short time ago were the best I ever received from any nursery. I want a few more. Substitute if necessary.

VIOLA M. LAWSON.

Dark County, Ohio, May 11, 1905.

The last 900 plants were received yesterday in good condition. This makes 18,000 I received from you this spring. All in good shape. I can take pleasure in recommending your plants. Yours for success,

W. K. MARTIN.

Caribou, Maine, May 9, 1905.

Dear Sirs:—The plants came quickly and were the finest I ever saw. Had just been taken in by a much advertised "Pedigree" plant company and it is a very pleasant change to be used as you used me. If this is the way you deal right along you may expect orders again from,

Yours respectfully,

DANA L. TEAGUE.

St. Paul, Minnesota, April 6, 1905.

The plants arrived here Tuesday. They were the nicest plants I have seen for many a year. Thank you very much for extras.

E. F. KARMUTH.

Mahoning County, Ohio, May 11, 1905.

The plants reached me in fine shape and were splendid plants. I am greatly pleased with them and for your promptness.

H. D. MILLER.

Ontario County, New York, May 8, 1905.

I received the plants all right and in fine condition. Nice plants and good count. Thank you.

MRS. H. P. GUDME.

Plymouth. Massachusetts, May 6, 1905.

Please send value of enclosed in Uncle Jim plants and oblige. You were recom-Yours turly, mended to us by F. W. Rogers.

J. L. HUNT & CO.

Woodward County, Oklahoma, April 24, 1905.

Sirs:-I send you another order for plants for two of my neighbors. They got plants of agents this spring that showed no sign of life and are dead. Seeing what nice plants I got of you they wanted me to order for them. Mine was a nice lot of plants and I thank you for the extras. Yours kindly,

JAS. W. HOWARD.

Marion County, Indiana, April 27, 1905.

Plants received and they are fine; the best lot of plants I ever received from any-CHAS. F. HESSONG. where. Will remember you next spring.

Wayne County, Ohio, April 29, 1905.

I received the plants O. K. They are fine indeed and I epsecially desire to thank you for the bunch of Uncle Jim. I hope to send you an order of some importance in the future. J. M. BROWN.

Ottawa County, Michigan, April 20, 1905.

Gents:-Your plants arrived in good shape. They cannot be excelled. Many thanks for your liberal count. A. G. VAN HESS.

Fairfield County, Ohio, April 24, 1905. I received those plants O. K. They were in excellent condition, and the finest plants I ever bought. Thanks for your honesty and for the extras.

WILLIAM MILLER.

Gotham, Wisconsin, April 29, 1905. Gentlemen:—This spring I got several varieties of you and although expecting good strong plants I was surprised with their size and vigor, and the count was liberal. I am always glad to get your catalogue and always glad to get your plants. They are so large, and arrive in such fine condition. It is now quite late, but I hope you can fill the enclosed small order. E. H. STILES.

Montana Experiment Station, Bozeman, Montana, April 20, 1905. Gentlemen:—The strawberry plants arrived to-day in good condition.

Monroe County, New York, April 21, 1905.

The strawberry plants arrived all right in good condition. Thanks for extras. FRANK KINGSBURY.

Later, May 1, 1905. Plants arrived to-day in good shape. Thank you for promptness and for extras. A neighbor was going to send for some "Pedigree" plants, but I told him of my experience with them and gave him your catalogue. You will likely hear from him. FRANK KINGSBURY.

Outagamie County, Wisconsin, April 1, 1905.

- Please send enclosed order by express as soon as possible. I am always satisfied and always have best success with plants I get from you.

NICHOLAS NYE.

Broome County, New York, April 5, 1905.

Plants to hand. If you always send such stock you deserve much praise; also for your liberal count. Hope they may prove as good at fruiting as they are strong and vigorous. I regret I did not send a larger order. Please send me your catalogue early next year and oblige. Yours truly,

L. F. BROWN.

Ontagamie County, Wisconsin, April 4, 1905.

Gents:-Please send your catalogue. We had plants of you yast spring and had good success. We want more plants. Respectfully,

JOE SPOSEL.

Scott County, Kentucky, April 3, 1905.

Friend F.:--Your card to hand. Also the plants. Thanks for extras. Enclosed please find \$7.00.

T W HERRIOTT

Preble County, Ohio, April 4, 1905.

Gentlemen:-Strawberry plants were received all right, and set out the next day, They look fine. Many thanks for the extras. You were recommended to us by Amos Very respectfully, Garrettson

North Stonington, Connecticut, April 3, 1905.

Dear Sirs:-I received the plants all right.

Vours CHARLES E. CHAPMAN.

Springfield, Illinois, April 5, 1905.

Dear Sirs:-The plants arrived in good condition and I am very much pleased with them. I thank you for the extras.

MRS MARY CERNY

Madison County, Tennessee, May 1, 1905.

Gentlemen:-The plants arrived O. K. Thanks for first class stock and extras. Enclosed find small order which please send by mail.

A. S. KITTREDGE.

Ionia County, Michigan, April 24, 1005.

My plants arrived the 22d. Almost three days enroute, but I found them in fine condition and fine plants, much better than "Pedigree" plants I got last year. Thanks for liberal count.

Cuyahoga County, Ohio, April 5, 1905.

Strawberry plants arrived in fine condition and are fine plants indeed. We have planted them and did not find a single poor plant in the 5,000. Many thanks for extra plants. Send catalogue to -----. They are large berry growers.

Yours, A. HALL.

Galletin County, Montana, April 23, 1905.

Gentlemen:-The plants ordered from you came to hand in excellent condition, They were a fine lot of plants. I also noticed that the count was very liberal. Thank NELSON LUNDWALL.

Hendricks County, Indiana, April 10, '1905.

I received the plants all right and must say they were extra fine. I thank you for the long count. Will order more in future. Yours,

JESSE P. STOUT.

Loraine County, Indiana, April 6, 1905. Dear Sirs:-I received the strawberry plants some time ago. They were fine and I thank you for the extras. I recommend your firm to all my friends.

Very truly yours, EDWARD P. JAMES.

Santa Cruz, California, 1905.

Dear Sirs:-The plants I got of you last year were fine. I did not lose a single plant. If this order is not right please correct it and oblige.

MRS. E. E. SHILER.

Chicago, Illinois, June 1, 1905.

The plants are all right and doing well.

C. H. BESLEY.

Monroe County, Ohio, March 15, 1905. Gents:—I purchased some "Pedigree" plants last year, but when they came they were such poor looking things I did not use them in my seed bed as I intended, but used yours instead. I prefer your plants, hence the enclosed list of 5,000 that I want.

Yours, etc., C. E. DALLY.
Later, April 20, 1905. The plants are here O. K. Thanks for extras. C. E. D.

Ottawa County, Ohio, April 24, 1905. Strawberry plants arrived in fine condition. They are **fine** plants, for which I than vou. TEES BEHUKEN.

Pine County, Minnesota, March 3, 1905.

Dear Sirs:-We are much pleased with the plants we got of you last spring. We ordered a lot of another firm here in Minnesota, but they do not compare with yours. We recommend you to our neighbors and have enclosed herein an order for more plants with Mr. K.

Albion, Michigan, February 9, 1905.

Gents:—Please send your catalogue to ———. He talks of setting an acre or more. I recommended your Mr. Flansburgh. I sold my fruit farm three years ago.

Yours truly, G. F. MERRIT.

Preble County, Ohio, January 26, 1905.

Dear Sirs:-Please send me your catalogue as soon as out. Last year I was too late to get what I wanted, and I want your plants.

M. H. CONING.

Eaton County, Michigan, May 4, 1905.

My order was received O. K. Fine plants and I thank you for prompt shipment. Yours. ED. SCHRICKEL.

Seneca County, Ohio, April 11, 1905.

Kind Sirs:-The plants came promptly and in splendid condition. I am much pleased with them, and wish to thank you also for the extras.

Yours very respectfully, MISS M. J. MAY.

Morgan County, Illinois, April 12, 1905.

Dear Sirs:--Plants received and set out and were extra fine. The Velvet are the finest plants I ever saw, unless it is a seedling of our own. The Eaton raspberry plants were fine. I set these myself. Wish I had more of them, but maybe the price will not be so high next year. Yours respectfully,

R. PERKINS.

Lake County, Ohio, April 17, 1905.

I want to thank you for the strawberry plants which came promptly and were fine; also there were many more than I expected, extra good count.

Gratefully yours, CHAS. R. NEILLIE.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin, April 16, 1905.

The plants arrived the 13th in good condition. They are strong and vigorous and growing well. Thank you for the extras. WILLIE KRUMHUS.

Hillsdale County, Michigan, April 16, 1905. Gents:-I received my berry plants in good shape. I am well pleased with them. J. O. BRINK.

Huron County, Ohio, April 6, 1905.

Gentlemen:—The plants arrived O. K. I want to say that they are unusually fine and thrifty looking. The best I ever bought. Thanks for promptness.

A. A. BARRETT.

South Haven, Michigan, April 11, 1905.

The strawberry and raspberry plants came to-day in excellent condition.

T. A. FARRAND.

Hemlock County, Ohio, May 15, 1905.

Received plants the 13th all in good order. Thanks for extras. Enclosed find order for more plants. WM. STRINGFELLOW.

Later, May 20. Plants to hand the 18th all in good shape.

Hendricks County, Indiana, April 7, 1905.

Gents:-Plants received the 5th in good condition. Got part of them set.

Yours, R. J. OVERMAN.

Cass County, Missouri, April 7, 1905.

The Strawberry plants received O. K. and doing fine.

Yours, P. HOSTETTER.

Knox County, Maine, May 13, 1905.

I received the plants yesterday in good condition. They were nice plants. Thanks for extras.

Erie County, New York, April 17, 1905.

Received strawberry plants all right and found them in good condition.

J. W. BELL.

Kent County, Michigan, May 27, 1905.

I received the plants O. K and in good shape. GEO. B. TOURTELLOTTE.

Alpena County, Michigan, May 6, 1905.

Sirs:—Please find enclosed order. You were recommended to me by Mr. Rudolph Schneider. Respectfully, ADAM LUDWIG.

Stearns County, Minnesota, May 4, 1905.

The strawberry plants arrived to-day in good condition. Accept thanks for promptness. C. S. ALLEN.

Madison County, Indiana, May 5, 1905.

Received plants yesterday in good condition. Thanks for the raspberry.

Respectfully, JOHN McMILLAN.

Plants arrived in good order.

Wayne County, Michigan, May 3, 1905. Yours respectfully.

GEO. RANDALL.

GEO. HANDA

Warren County, Ohio, April 17, 1905.

Gentlemen:—Plants came in due time. I was from home but my helpers unpacked and heeled them in. They informed me they were fine and in good condition. Thank you.

W. C. STEDDOM.

Columbia County, Ohio, April 17, 1905.

Plants arrived the 15th in good condition and are heeled in until the ground dries, so I can set. I am well pleased with the plants.

MOSES MITCHELL.

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Danvers County, Massachusetts, April 1, 1905.

The Aroma plants came through in good shape this morning. I find them good plants. Thanks for extras.

W. P. HUTCHINSON.

Lenawee County, Michigan, April 20, 1905.

The strawberry plants came to hand O. K. and in good order. Thanking you for promptness and for the extra varieties for trial, I remain,

Yours truly, L. H. JOHNSTON.

Franklin County, Ohio, April 20, 1905.

Eaton County, Mich, April 20, 1905.

Gentlemen:-Plants opened up in fine shape. Many thanks for extras.

A. L. BRADFORD.

Essex County, New Yrok, May 23, 1905.

Gentlemen:—The strawberry plants have arrived, extra fine. Sorry I did not make my order larger.

H. T. STICKNEY.

Fayette County, Indiana, April 29, 1905.

Plants arrived in good shape. Thanks for square dealing. Yours truly,

G. G. RAUCK.

Nicollet County, Minnesota, April 26, 1905.

Received plants promptly. They are very fine. Thank you for the extras.

Yours truly, MRS. JOS. ARNOLD.

Middlesex County, Massachusetts, May 1, 1905.

The plants came April 15th in fine shape. Thanks for extras.

JOHN H. FEE.

Jackson County, Michigan, May 1, 1905.

Strawberry plants arrived all right. Thanks. A. J. H. BROWN.

Lawrence County, Michigan, April 23, 1905.

My plants came all right and in fine shape.

W. H. WICKHAM.

Onondaga County, New York, May 2, 1905.

Plants received May 1 and are fine plants.

G. O. TAYLOR.

Jackson County; Michigan, May 1, 1905.

Plants received all O. K.

A. AVERY.

Agricultural College, Michigan, May 17, 1905.

Strawberry plants, etc., to hand in good shape. S. COCHRANE.

Oakland County, Michigan, May 5, 1905.

Your plants are No. 1. Have had plants from many growers, but yours suit me best of all.  $\,$  C. W. KERR.

Lorain County, Ohio, April 18, 1905.

My order came the 8th. The plants ought to please any one.

G. W. GILLET.

MT. DENNIS, CANADA, April 26, 1905.

Plants came in good shape. Thanks for the extra Parsons Beauty.

JOHN H. HOLMES.

Macomb County, Michigan, May 6, 1905. C. H. MURDICK.

Plants to hand O. K.

Prospect Hill, Canada, May 9, 1905.

Plants arrived on time and were O. K.

J. B. MARTIN.

Ottawa County, Michigan, February, 1905.

Enclosed find order. Your plants are best I ever had. A. G. HESS.

Lenawee County, Michigan, May 11, 1905.

Plants received and set. They look nice. Enclosed find small order for more plants.

C. F. PATTERSON.

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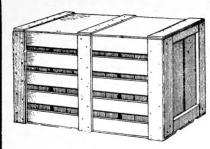
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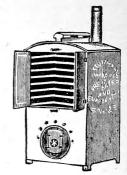




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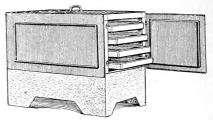
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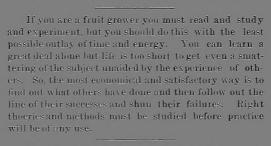
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